GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS
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AFFORESTATION PROGRAMME
SHEELA GAUTAM

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to engage Non-governmental organizations/Institutes for afforestation programme in the country; and if so, the details of the programme and the manner in which they would be engaged alongwith the details of allocation, State-wise?

(b) if so, the details of the programme and the manner in which they would be engaged alongwith the details of allocation, State-wise?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI BABU LAL MARANDI):

(a) and (b) Ministry of Environment and Forests operates a Grants-in-Aid Scheme to Voluntary Agencies under which financial assistance is provided to Non-Governmental Organisations (NGOs) for taking up afforestation activities. Funds are provided under the scheme for raising saplings, plantation work etc. as per the approved cost norms and guidelines of the scheme. Allocations under this scheme are not made State-wise, but on case- by-case basis. Details of funds provided to NGOs, State-wise, so far in Ninth Plan are given in the attached statement.

Statement Financial assistance provided to NGOs State-wise, so far in Ninth Plan under the Grants-in-Aid Schemes to Voluntary Agencies of the Ministry of Environment and Forests

State	No. of NGOs to whom projects were approved under the Schemes so far during the Ninth Plan	Total Funds provides (Rs. In Lakhs)
Andhra Pradesh	47	123.12
Arunachal Pradesh	3	12.75
Assam	-	-
Bihar	18	44.91
Goa	-	-
Gujarat	2	8.20
Haryana	-	-
Himachal Pradesh	3	10.36
Jammu and Kashmir	2	7.79
Karnataka	26	80.30
Kerala	-	-
Madhya Pradesh	3	8.51
Maharashtra	-	-
Manipur	12	47.75
Meghalaya	1	1.09
Mizoram	-	-
Nagaland	20	63.46
Orissa	4	13.20
Punjab	-	-
Rajasthan	-	-
Sikkim	1	1.00
Tamil Nadu	17	35.66
Tripura	-	-
Uttar Pradesh	20	68.38
West Bengal	19	36.82
Total	198	563.00